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SUBJECT: ENTRY REQUIREMENTS FOR TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

1. GOTT NOTE TODAY CONFIRMS OFFICIAL NOTICE PUBLISHED EARLIER*
THIS MONTH REVOKING PASSPORT EXEMPTION FOR USC T*AVELERS
TO TRINIDAD & TO*AGO(GOVT NOTICE 183 OF 19 7). PE*T*NENTLY,
NOTE *EADS QUOTE...CONCE*SIONS FORMERLY ENJOYED BY UNITED STATES
CITIZENS AND ALI*N RESIDEN S HAVE BEEN WITHDRAWN BY THE GOVERNMENT
OF TRINIDAD AND T BAGO AND* HAT BIRTH*CERTIFIC**ES, DRI ERS' LICENCES

,
VOTERS CERTIFICATES AND SOCIAL SECURITY CAR*S ETC., WILL NO LONGER
BE ACCEPTED *BY IMMIGRATION OFFICERS I TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO AS
PROPE* IDENTIFICATION FO* TOURISTS *ND VISIT*RS ARRIVING FROM
YOUR C NTRY. ...THE REGU*ATIONS WILL COME INTO EFFECT FROM 6TH
JANUARY, 1974, AND THAT FROM THAT DATE ALL PASSENGERS ARRIVING IN
TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO WILL NEED TO BE IN POSSESSION OF VALID PASSPORTS
AND WHERE NECESSARY VALID VISAS ISSUED BY A TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO
CONSULATE, HIGH COMMISSION OR CONSULAR REPRESENTATIVE. UNQUOTE

2. NOTE FIRS INDICATION PAS*PORT ONLY ACCEPTABLE IDENTITY
DOCUMENT. REFERENCES*HERETOFORE HAVE BEEN TO PASSPORT OR OTHER
(UNSP CIFIED) EVIDENCE IDENTITY. ALSO FIRST INDICATION POSSIBLE
VISA REQUIREMENT, ON WHICH EMBASSY SEEKING CLARIFICATION.

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3. COPY NOTE BEING POUCHED. NEW*REGULATION WILL F*CILITATE
EMBASSY'S TASK AND IMPROVE PUBLIC RELATIONS, AS MANY *S CITIZENS
ARRIVING IN TRINIDAD *& TOBAGO WITHOUT ACCEPTABLE EVIDENCE
CIT*ZENSHIP SUBSEQUENTLY FIND ONWARD TRAVEL PLANS FRUSTRATED
BY INABILITY OBTAIN PASSPO** HERE.
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